
315.41**Breast Pump Purchasing Guidelines****Overview**

Introduction	This section explains the use of WIC food funds for the purchase or rental of breast pumps.
Policy	It is the policy of the Iowa WIC Program that all breast pumps and collection kits are to be purchased using WIC food funds.
Background	The William Goodling Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act of 1998 (PL 105-336) authorizes state WIC agencies the use of food funds for the purchase or rental of breast pumps starting in Fiscal Year 1999.
Allowable purchases with food funds	<p>The <u>only</u> items allowed to be purchased using WIC food funds are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breast pumps (new or reconditioned) to purchase or rent,• Breast pump collection kits, and• Shipping and tax to acquire the pumps and collection kits. <p><u>Note:</u> All other costs to promote and support breastfeeding must still be charged to the WIC NSA breastfeeding grant. See Policy 315.40, page 7 for a list of breastfeeding expenditures that must be charged to WIC NSA funds.</p>
Breastfeeding promotion requirements	Breast pumps and collection kits purchased with WIC food funds <u>cannot</u> be counted towards the total WIC grant dollars that must be spent for breastfeeding promotion. See Policy 315.40 for the portion of grant dollars that need to be spent on breastfeeding.
Staff may purchase	WIC agency staff may purchase a breast pump or collection kit from the agency at the current purchase price.

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**Electronic
Expenditure
Workbook**

In your agency's **Electronic Expenditure Workbook**, include only the costs of breast pumps and collection kits purchased for WIC participants for that quarter. Copies of invoices or bills for all breast pumps, rental fees, and/or collection kits should be maintained in your agency's file.

**Policy
reference**

Breast Pumps as a Food Cost, USDA Policy Memo, MPSF: WC-99-36-P.
